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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEVADA

In re:	Case No.: 22-14422-nmc
MUSCLEPHARM CORPORATION,	Chapter 11
Debtor.	Hearing Date: N/A Hearing Time: N/A

JOINDER TO THE COMMITTEE'S EX PARTE MOTION FOR AN EMERGENCY STATUS CONFERENCE PURSUANT TO SECTION 105(d) OF THE BANKRUPTCY CODE

MusclePharm Corporation, the debtor and debtor-in-possession in the above-referenced Chapter 11 case (the "**Debtor**"), by and through its counsel of record, Schwartz Law, PLLC, hereby submits this joinder to the *Ex Parte Motion for an Emergency Status Conference Pursuant to Section 105(d) of the Bankruptcy Code* filed by the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "**Committee**") [ECF No. 637] (the "**Scheduling Motion**").

JOINDER

1. The recent tumult in this Chapter 11 case, including the stay of the sale process, the pending trustee motion, and the recent charges against Ryan Drexler by the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), is destabilizing the Debtor's reorganization. Specifically, the Debtor's suppliers are concerned that the financing for the Debtor's operations will stop if a Chapter 11 trustee is appointed. If the financing stops, suppliers may not be paid. The Debtor understands that the risk of nonpayment is causing those suppliers to consider whether production of the Debtor's products should be delayed until these matters are resolved. The Debtor cannot

afford production delays, as it already has roughly \$1.7M of unfilled orders. These orders remain unfilled because the Debtor had to restart operations post-filing. Restarting operations included restarting production, which naturally included manufacturing delays. While there is demand for the Debtor's products, that demand will go elsewhere if the Debtor cannot perform.

- 2. Similarly, the Debtor's customers are now raising concerns of whether they will receive product orders. The uncertainty hovering over the direction of this Chapter 11 case is slowing orders, and, the Debtor believes, causing customers to place orders with competitors.
- 3. Further, certain of the Debtor's vendors are targets of Ryan Drexler's litigation and likely to receive discovery related to this case. None of the Debtor's vendors, suppliers or counterparties wish to be pulled into the trustee motion process or the SEC case. These parties can do business with other entities that do not have bankruptcy or SEC risk. The combined jeopardy of (a) doing business with a Chapter 11 debtor and (b) unnecessary litigation, is causing the Debtor's counterparties to take a "wait and see" approach. These are uncertainties the Debtor cannot afford.
- 4. The Debtor's management has excelled in both restarting operations and driving product demand. Those victories may be short lived, however, if the market is not given confidence that this bankruptcy case has an exit, which exit will include the continued production and sale of MusclePharm products and merchandise. Accordingly, the Debtor joins the Committee's Scheduling Motion and the relief requested therein.

DATED: June 30, 2023.

Respectfully Submitted,

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